FCGC Monthly Minutes 10/11/2019

Meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm. Twenty members and two guests were in attendance.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by introduction of guests.

Carol Wood then introduced BJ Jarvis, who spoke to the Club about pollinators.

A short break was taken at 12:40, and a picture of Board Members was taken for the website.

The business meeting resumed at 12:47. Susie thanked the setup/cleanup crew, and greeter, Bill Ferguson and Hostesses Lona Bassett and Sandy Van Tassel. Susie then asked members to look at their yearbooks and note any corrections that she may need to make.

Susie explained the Plant America grant application that Carol Wood made on behalf of the Club and the gardens the Club tend. She then explained the awards that the Club has received. She also talked about the signs that Carol also made up for the Library, and various places around town, and the signs that Ralph will have made up to alert the community when the next Club meeting will take place.

Kathy Lingusky asked if all had read the September meeting minutes. It was discovered that the minutes had not been sent out this month, so item was tabled until the October meeting.

Mary Graff went over the financial reports for the months of June, July, August and September. At this point, the proposed budget for 2019-20 was brought up. After a discussion, Alice Webb motioned that the budget be adopted as proposed, and Carol Wood seconded. Motion carried.

Sandy Van Tassel gave the correspondence report.

A field trip to the Sunken Gardens in St. Pete was brought up, and several date options were discussed. It was decided that the trip will be planned for Tuesday, November 19. Details will be decided, and plans emailed to all members.

Susie announced that there are still some committee openings, specifically the Memorial Book. Someone would need to insert the 'In memoriam' names and amounts into the book in a calligraphy font, and send a thank you card to the sender of the gift.

Plants of the Month (Terrestrial Orchids) were raffled off, along with several books donated by Lynn Bassett.

Announcements:

- Memorial Garden work day, Thursday, October 17, 8:00 am
- Blessings B group, Thursday, October 17, 9:00 am, Methodist Church
- Walk Aware for Alzheimers, Saturday, October 19, meet at the Community Building at 8:45 am. Please pay Janie today for your participation.
- District V meeting, October 25, Riverhaven Garden Club, Homosassa, meet at Community Center 8:30 am.
- Board meeting, change from Mon, Nov 4, to Tues, Nov 5, 10:00 am, Susie's house.
- Blessings A group, Thursday November 7, 9:00 am, Methodist Church
- Next Garden Club meeting, Friday, November 8, 11:00 am. Deb Pedone will be speaking on the Avenue of the Oaks tree projects.

Meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm Submitted by Kathy Lingusky, Recording Secretary